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SUBJ: MEXICO BILATERAL: LOS AND IATTC

1. SUMMARY. MEXICO IS NOT SATISFIED WITH PRESENT REGULATORY SYSTEM IN IATTC, AND WANTS RENEGOTIATE ENTIRE MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT. IN THAT REGARD MEXICO OBJECTS TO BASIC PREMISE OF A GLOBAL QUOTA, AND FEELS INSTEAD THERE SHOULD BE COUNTRY QUOTAS. MORE SPECIFICALLY, MEXICO WANTS NEXT IAATC ANNUAL MEETING TO BE WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF RENEGOTIATED IATTC TREATY AND CONSISTENT WITH LOS NEGOTIATIONS. MEXICO FEELS COASTAL STATE SHOULD HAVE SAME SOVEREIGN RIGHTS FOR HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES WITHIN THE ECONOMIC ZONE AS FOR COASTAL SPECIES, I.E., MEXICO WANTS ACCEPTANCE OF EXCLUSIVE COASTAL STATE SOVEREIGN RIGHTS OVER RESOURCES IN THE ZONE AS STARTING POINT FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NEGOTIATIONS, REGARDLESS WHETHER RESOURCES ARE LIVING OR NONLIVING,

AND, IF LIVING, WHETHER MIGRATORY OR NOT. END SUMMARY.

2. AT JULY 30 MEETING WITH MEXDEL, AMB. STEVENSON, AMB. MCKERNAN, MR. POLLICK, AND MR. MARTIN MET WITH AMB. JORGE CASTANEDA, ING. MANUEL MONDRAGON AND AMB. MANUEL TELLO TO DISCUSS TUNA AND IATTC.

3. SUBSTANTIVE PORTION OF MEETING INITIATED BY OUR PRESENTING TO MEXICANS OUR DRAFT ARTICLE REGARDING HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES, WHICH HAD BEEN SUBMITTED TO EVENSEN GROUP AND WHICH, MEXICANS HAD NOT YET SEEN.

4. AMB. CASTANEDA SAID MOST IMPORTANT POINT FOR MEXICO IS THAT IT COULD NO LONGER GO ALONG WITH GLOBAL QUOTA FOR IATTC (WHICH HE CLARIFIED AS MEANING OVERALL CATCH LIMITATION IN WHICH THERE WERE NOT COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS). HE SAID PRESENT SYSTEM IS INEQUITABLE AND ENCOURAGES PRESENT OVER-CAPITALIZATION. MEXICO WANTS NATIONAL QUOTA SYSTEM WITH ADDITIONAL SYSTEM OF FEES OR ROYALTIES FOR FISH CAUGHT IN ITS ECONOMIC ZONE.

5. MEXICO'S SECOND MAJOR PROBLEM AROSE FROM LANGUAGE WHICH REQUIRES STATES TO QTE COOPERATE WITH THE ORGANIZATION UNQTE BUT DOES NOT REQUIRE THEM TO JOIN IT. THIS CONCERN ARISES FROM PROBLEM OF HOW TO GET ECUADOR AND PERU TO JOIN ORGANIZATION.

6. WITH FURTHER REFERENCE TO IATTC,. AMB. CASTANEDA REFERRED TO ECHEVERRIA'S SPEECH WITH REGARD TO NEED FOR A NEW EQUITABLE ORGANIZATION IN WHICH MEXICO'S SOVEREIGN RIGHTS RECOGNIZED. HE STATED WHEN TUNA ARE IN MEXICO'S ZONE, THEY SHOULD BE TREATED AS MEXICAN FISH ON SAME BASIS OF SOVEREIGN RIGHTS AS APPLY TO COASTAL SPECIES.

7. SUBSEQUENT MEXICAN DISCUSSION OF HIGHLY MIGRATORY ARTICLE CENTERED ON PREMISE TUNA IN THE ZONE SHOULD HAVE SOVEREIGN CHARACTERISTIC, BUT THAT THEIR REGULATION SHOULD BE REGIONAL IN ORDER TO INSURE PROPER CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT.

8. AMB. STEVENSON EXPLAINED OUR PROPOSAL MAKING FOLLOWING POINTS: REGIONAL QUOTA MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT FISH CAUGHT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN ECONOMIC ZONE, IN ORDER THAT PAYMENT MIGHT BE MADE FOR THESE FISH TO THE COASTAL STATE; ENFORCEMENT IN ZONE WOULD BE BY COASTAL STATE, AND ENFORCEMENT OUTSIDE ZONE BY FLAG STATE; WE STILL HAVE TO DETERMINE HOW TO SET FEE FOR FISH CAUGHT IN ZONE BY FOREIGN FISHERMEN; AND WE STILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH FORMULA FOR ALLOCATIONS MADE TO COUNTRIES WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE ZONE, BUT NORMALLY THESE ARE ITEMS WHICH WOULD BE NEGOTIATED WITHIN REGIONAL ORGANIZATION.

9. AMB. CASTANEDA WONDERED HOW SYSTEM OF FACTORS WHICH WOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION UNDER U.S. DRAFT ARTICLE WOULD BE INTEGRATED TO COME UP WITH A PREFERENCE. FOLLOWING GENERAL ILLUSTRATIVE EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF FACTORS INVOLVED, IT WAS ADDED OUR FORMULATION IN DRAFT ARTICLE STILL FAIRLY GENERAL. WE INTERESTED IN MEXICO'S REACTION TO PRINCIPLES RATHER THAN TO TRY TO NEGOTIATE AT THIS TIME NEW REGULATORY SYSTEM FOR IATTC OR SOME NEW STRUCTURE.

10. ING. MONDRAGON INDICATED SYSTEM WOULD HAVE TO ALLOW FOR COUNTRY TO EXPAND ITS CATCH EFFORT. FOR EXAMPLE, HE SAID MEXICO WILL HAVE TWELVE NEW TUNA FISHING VESSELS JOINING ITS FLEET, AND PROVISION WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE FOR THEM.

11. AMB. CASTANEDA INDICATED THAT A COUNTRY'S FLEET WILL TAKE MORE FISH OFF ITS COAST AS IT EXPANDS AND ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT NECESSARY TO ACCOMMODATE THIS. HE WAS ASSURED U.S. DRAFT ARTICLE PROVIDED FOR ANNUAL REVISION.

12. MEXICANS THEN RETURNED TO QUESTION OF PROBLEM OF GETTING ECUADOR AND PERU TO JOIN. IT WAS EXPLAINED THAT JOINING ORGANIZATION WOULD OFFER BENEFIT OF ALLOWING THE COUNTRY TO FISH REGIONALLY, I.E., IN OTHER ECONOMIC ZONES. THEY SAID THEY DID NOT KNOW HOW TO GET ECUADOR AND PERU TO JOIN. AMB. STEVENSON SAID IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO US TO HAVE MEXICANS THINK ABOUT HOW TO OBTAIN THEIR COOPERATION.

13. AMB. TELLO SUGGESTED WHAT SHOULD BE DONE IN NEGOTIATIONS ON REVISING OR DEVISING REGULATORY SYSTEM FOR TUNA FOLLOWING CONFERENCE IN CARACAS WOULD BE FOR COASTAL STATES TO GET TOGETHER WITHOUT JAPAN AND OTHER DISTANT-WATER FISHING STATES (U.S. BY IMPLICATION CONSIDERED ADJACENT COASTAL STATE) TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEVISE PREFERENCE/ALLOCATION SYSTEM AND THEN SEE IF ANY OR RESOURCE LEFT OVER FOR OTHER NON-COASTAL STATES.

14. MEETING CONCLUDED ON STATEMENT BY MEXICANS THAT GREATEST PROBLEM FOR FUTURE OF TUNA FISHING WILL BE TO FIND ADEQUATE AND EQUITABLE MEANS TO MANAGE THE RESOURCE. STEVENSON

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